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Golf and Fish Story.

Some time ago a northern golfer drove a ball a fine, low, skimming shot across a river. Just as the ball was nearly over a salmon leaped at the ball and caught it in its mouth. Such was the pace of the ball that it carried the salmon on to the river's bank, where it was immediately secured, with the ball tightly wedged in its teeth.—Golf Illustrated.

Environment.

The secret is to be found not in the criminal type of man, nor yet altogether in heredity, but in environment. The place to make the environment, which is to protect the young man from many temptations and help him to resist those that he may not escape, is in the home.—Rev. W. H. Locke, Methodist, Mansfield, O.

Indifferentism.

What is most striking in the present aspect of the controversy over human immortality is the average man's absolute want of interest in the question. People shrug their shoulders and turn to their newspaper or their business at the mention or thought of an after-life.—Dr. McComb in the Quarterly Review.

Japanese Small Trees.

Our indebtedness to Japan is augmented by the remarkable chestnut that hails from there. It is more dwarf than our native species, and bears abundantly when only a few years old. Aside from its usefulness as a nut tree, it is quite ornamental, and should be more generally planted.—Home Magazine.

Out for the News.

"I'm going down to get my hair washed to-morrow," said the demure looking woman on the car. "It doesn't really need it, but honestly, I haven't heard any news for a week. I just made up my mind to-day that I'd go down and hear what's going on among people."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Too Busy to Love.

In England people are too busy to love. A man fated to death by 49 letters and 15 telegrams a day cannot in the evening indulge in the excitement of either a heart-shaking tragedy or the passion of an all-absorbing love. So he flirts.—Dr. Reich, in London Tatler.

Was the Best Man.

In Eldorado a bridegroom gave his best man an envelope containing a twenty-dollar bill to be given to the clergyman after the ceremony. The best man is found to have given the preacher an envelope containing a one-dollar bill.—Kansas City Star.

Paragon-Making Golf.

Golf cannot be played really well unless the temper is schooled to such a degree that misfortune, accident and a general run of defective play never lead to passion overflowing the limits of decorous and retained equanimity.—Field.

Burning His Savings.

The Bookkeeper—The boss seems pleased with himself this morning. The Office Boy—He's been saving all his burnt matches for a year, and this morning he had enough for me to start the fire with.—Utica Observer.

Discolored Brass.

Where brasses are much discolored an application of a solution of salt and vinegar is advisable before using the customary brass polish, as the work of polishing is much more quickly performed.

One Legged Racers.

A comical foot race was recently witnessed in Paris. Nineteen men, each with a wooden leg, were the contestants. The winner ran a mile in 12 minutes.

Quite So.

Sweet nothings, in the hands of a competent lawyer, may be transformed into very bitter and substantial somethings.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Shakespeare Inspid.

Pepy's Diary, 1659-1669, commenting on Shakespeare's plays, says of "Midsummer Night's Dream": "It is the most inspid, ridiculous play I ever saw in my life;" and upon reading "Othello, the Moor of Venice," which I have hitherto esteemed a mighty good play; but having lately read the "Adventures of Five Hours," it seems a mean thing."

The Hot Water Cure.

The virtues of the hot water application are recognized to such an extent that hot-water bags are made in a great variety of shapes and sizes. The latest designs are made to fit around the joints such as the knee, ankle and elbow. They are very effective in the treatment of myalgia, arthritis, rheumatism and similar affections.

Palace to House Club.

The Tudor palace at Enfield, England, which was a gift from Edward VI. to Princess, afterward Queen Elizabeth, is to become a Conservative club. Until recently it was used as a post office. The Tudor rose, the royal monogram—and the ancient coat-of-arms are still conspicuous in the mural decorations.

A Terrible Remedy.

I can only think of one method by which nurses can guard against imitations of their professional costume. It is that they should adopt one that is ugly or at least dowdy—and that remedy would, I expect, be regarded by most of the nurses as worse than the evil it was designed to cure.—Truth.

"Idiot."

The alteration in the meaning of the word "idiot" is peculiar. Originally this word meant only a man in private life as distinguished from one who was concerned in public affairs. In time the word degenerated, until it came to mean one who was defective in mental powers.—Sunday Magazine.

Believe in Wandering Jew.

The belief in the Wandering Jew is still held in France among the peasantry of Brittany and Picardy. When a violent windstorm comes on they make the sign of the cross as they say "The Wandering Jew is passing by!" ("C'est le juif errant qui passe!")

Rewards of Virtue.

Every virtue gives its equal degree of felicity in some kind; honesty gives a good report; justice, estimation; prudence, respect; courtesy and liberality, affection; temperance gives health; fortitude a quiet mind, not to be moved by any adversity.—Walsingham.

Potato Drove Bull Mad.

A potato lodged in the throat of a bull at Datchworth, near Hitchin, England, recently, and drove it mad. Four men who tried to secure it were tossed. One of them had two ribs broken, and the head of another was badly injured.

Jerusalem's Via Dolorosa.

It is only 400 years since the name of Via Dolorosa was given to the narrow lane down which Christ passed from the judgment hall of Pilate to Calvary. At this time also the sacred stations first were marked out for pilgrims.

Marital Fallings-Out.

The wife who praises all her clever husband does, soon becomes his worst enemy. The husband who loses that amount of appreciation of his wife's ability that touches high-water mark, loses all discrimination, says the Pilgrim. Continual harmony makes life monotonous. The woman who always reiterates, "I don't know, dear," and the man who constantly answers, "Just as you say, darling," are the most maddening of mortals.

Aspiration and Possession.

Aspiration sees only one side of every question; possession many.—Lowell.

Visions of Life.

Sweet is the hour of rest.
Pleasant the woods' low sigh
When peace dwells in my breast
Then sleep comes to my eyes.
My dreams are of scenes above
Of angels robed in white,
Of Jesus and his love;
Then my heart is filled with delight.

But when I awake from my sleep,
When sorrow comes to me again,
Then! Oh my thoughts run deep,
If I could but cease from sin.
But here we must win the race;
And there we shall get our pay
On that Celestial morn.
The great Judgment day.

L. A. ALLEN.

Ringling Bros'. Show Will Be Here July 22, 1907.

Ringling Bros'. Circus is one of the greatest shows that ever appeared in Kansas City, and will appear here July 22. They have brought many new features with them and are establishing new records along the show line. It will be largely attended as this is about the first show that has been in Kansas City this year. Some shows only carry the same thing from year to year, but from the advance bills this show has changed its program. It will appear at the old show grounds.

The great Beauty Contest starts in next week's paper. All women are invited to take part. This will be a new feature in the newspaper, as it will be different from any run by any colored paper. There will be two entries, married women and single women's contest, as there are many beautiful colored women of all varieties. This will be a good way to show up all the pretty women in the city. Please begin to send in the names this week for those who will enter the contest. Every woman is cordially invited to take part. The coupon slips will appear in next week's paper. Everybody should send in the name of some pretty woman. Watch the next issue of the paper for full details.

Unappreciated Blessings.

Stranger (in small town)—I saw by the papers that a boy was born here with no legs and no arms. I am a dime museum manager, and I should like to find him.

Citizen—No use hunting him up. His parents won't exhibit him.
"They won't?" Well, it beats all what blessings fall to folks as can't appreciate 'em.—N. Y. Weekly.

The Clever Tramp.

"Yes," said the tramp who was explaining his method, "I always tell the lady of the house that I was injured in the field."

"What field?" asked the inexperienced beginner.
"Well, if it's a young lady I say football field, and if it's an old lady I say battlefield."

SHE HOPES NOT.

"Yes, you look stylish, daughter—very; but you'll never look the way I used to."—Chicago Journal.

His Motive.

"So you are going to lecture?"
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "not that I care for the money, but it is a pleasure to get away from your stony-faced colleagues in congress and face an audience that really wants to hear you talk."—Washington Star.

REV. J. M. BOOKER'S Successful Administration

AS PASTOR OF THE PLEASANT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH, WILL DEDICATE NEW FOUNDATION IN A FEW WEEKS, AND LATER TO COMPLETE NEW CHURCH WORTH \$25,000.



REV. J. M. BOOKER.

The Pleasant Green Baptist Church of this city is an organization about 30 years old. The first pastor of this church was Rev. John Morgan, of Kentucky. He was an able defender of the Gospel and of strong moral character. He succeeded in buying the property in rear of Independence and Tracy avenues, and building the frame house where the Church is at present. After Rev. Morgan's death the next preacher who became the pastor of the Church was Rev. Alford, of Kansas.

After a stay of about two years Rev. Alford was succeeded by Rev. E. M. Wilson, of Kentucky, who was the most intellectual pastor the church has ever had. He was an able defender of the church and a pulpit orator. These two preachers, Rev. Alford and Rev. Wilson, were both overcome by the same weakness.

Rev. G. W. Burdett was the next pastor who resigned of his own accord.

Next to come to take the leadership of the church is the Rev. J. M. Booker, of Memphis, Tenn., who was the pastor of Salem Baptist church, the second largest Baptist church in Memphis. He desired to change his field of labor, so he resigned to come to Kansas City.

Rev. Booker was born in Virginia in 1862, and in 1869 his father took him to Mississippi, where he received a common school education. On becoming a young man 23 years old he was converted in June, 1886, at Memphis. Two years later he was licensed to preach, and on Sept. 13th, 1891, he was ordained, after which he pastored successfully for 5 years the Salem Baptist Church in Memphis. Rev. Booker attended the Theological department of Howard Institute for about 5 years.

He built the Mount Zion Baptist Church during his time in Memphis.

As a financier and church builder his ability can not be doubted. When he came to take charge of the Pleasant Green Church one year ago, it was in a critical condition. During this one year he has raised nearly \$10,000 and paid all indebtedness of the church, and built the foundation for the new church on the east side of Tracy avenue, near Independence avenue. The Pleasant Green Church is in splendid condition now. It owns two good pieces of property, and values all of its holdings at \$10,000.

Rev. Booker will build a handsome Auditorium on the new foundation in the next five years, worth from \$10,000 to \$15,000, thus making the new church worth about \$25,000.

The people of this city who admire a clean, Christian gentleman, a man of principle and integrity, should give Rev. Booker their support and help him to do a great work for God and humanity. He is one man who

will not condole immoral crime, or shield dirty men who are preaching the gospel. He is deserving of the aid and confidence of the people.

Dear Editor:—Sir, will you kindly allow me sufficient space in your honorable paper to insert the following: THE ONLY REMEDY FOR JIM CROWISM AND LYNCH LAWS.

Having noticed in the K. C. Times of June 11 inst. of the address of Rev. Bishop Grant along the lines of the St. Louis Jim Crow car laws, I would to God and also pray that Bishop Grant and all others concerned continually beg and urge and try to persuade the members of their various congregations to use the following words in their prayers that God may remember the oppressed and the law-masters of oppressions upon the strangers that dwell among them and that God may drive these laws from our land and country. Please note the following scriptures on the same: God said one law shall be to him that is home-born and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you—Exodus 12—49. Thou shalt neither vex a stranger nor oppress him, for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Ye shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child. If thou afflict them in any way and they cry at all unto me I will surely hear their cry and my wrath shall be kindled and I will visit you with the sword and your wives shall be widows and your children fatherless. Now what more is needed than crying unto him—Exodus 22: 24 to 27.

INDEPENDENCE, MO., NOTES.

The True Reformers had quite an able sermon delivered to them Sunday by Rev. Lee of Kansas City, Mo.

The Matron and Secretary of Western university visited our city Sunday. Call again.

Mrs. K. Collins entertained Mrs. Gates of Nebraska who has been the guest of Mrs. Waggoner.

All who did not attend the singing of Miss Schaffer and others were sorry.

The picnic given by Luts last Friday was well attended because it went under an assumed name.

You should have attended the lecture by Prof. Macky, of Sedalia college last week.

Miss N. R. if you intend to teach school here another year, you should get a husband of your own.

Mrs. Emma Sandberry and daughter returned to Kansas City after visiting in our city.

Quite a number of F. B. F. of our city attended the Interstate at Lees Summit last Saturday night.

Mrs. Lena Lawrie will leave Thursday for the west where she intends making her future home.

Mrs. Wood Noland will visit St. Joseph, Mo.

Open your ears there will be a wedding soon on N. Stockton ave.

DRUGGIST WINS THE RIG.

Winners of Prizes at St. Joseph Home Picnic Announced.

The Orphans' Aid Society with about 250 guests, met at the St. Joseph Orphans' home, Thirty-first and Penn streets, yesterday afternoon and listened to an interesting entertainment given by the children. It was also the occasion for awarding the prizes drawn at the picnic given for the benefit of the orphans July 4.

The first prize, a horse and buggy, was won by Theodore Smith, a druggist, 1367 East Eighteenth street. Ticket 35-a was the lucky number. The second prize, a silver tea set of 26 pieces was won by Miss Lena Cody, 712 North Sixth St., Kansas City.

Kan. The number was 506. Many minor prizes were awarded to the lucky winners by the committee. Neither Mr. Smith nor Miss Cody were present, but were notified by telephone.

A great many who had taken an active part in getting up the details of the picnic were present yesterday and they were thanked by the sisters for their efforts.

Miss Eva Washington, of 938 New Jersey avenue, Kansas City, Kansas, was very seriously and dangerously wounded in an accident, which happened in Mitchell's Dry Goods Store, 1009-11 Main street last Tuesday week July 2. She boarded this elevator at the fifth floor to go down to the fourth and as the boy opened the door she started out when a large flat heavy iron fell from the top of the elevator door, striking her violently on the back of the head. She remained in the store a while thinking she would get better but grew worse all the while and had to be taken home in a carriage at her own expense. She also fainted on the way and was unconscious quite a while. She is now under the care of Dr. H. S. Thompson, of Kansas City, Kansas. She is a customer and patron of that house. It would have been a small thing for Mitchell Dry Goods Co. to have sent Miss Washington home in a carriage, with medical attention but they paid her no attention whatever after such an accident in the house. Her case will be looked after by legal authorities.

409 East Phelps Ave.
Springfield, Mo., June 28, 1907.
Editor Rising Son and Mex.

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs: Your subscription notice is before me, and it will be forthcoming just as soon as I can get to it.

Allow me to add, in connection with the above, the following thought that have impressed me very much in the last 4 or 5 weeks.

Having served as pastor in Kansas City, Mo., for a series of years at M. E. church, now known (though consolidated with Buena M. E. church) as Centennial M. E. church, and know most of the leading men (etc., I am therefore interested in the doings of K. C.

We have read and considered carefully the late controversy through the columns of your worthy paper "The Rising Son."

In this particular case, (the Rev. Mr. Burns, Mr. N. C. Crowe, et al.) I only know about relative to both sides, through what we have read in your paper.

But as one intensely concerned about every one having a "square deal," and every man having a man's chance, I say to you and all others thus concerned, to stand by the truth, though the stars sever themselves from their sockets and fall.

Since it is an assured fact, though truth may be belittled and mangled, it cannot be destroyed, as truth rests infallibly upon this maxim, "God is Truth." Yours sincerely and unflinchingly,

WM. H. WHEATLEY
Pastor Pitts M. E. Ch.

PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR.
HE WAS THE WORLD'S GREAT NEGRO POET. THE FACT THAT HE HAD NO WHITE BLOOD IN HIS VEINS MAKES HIS ACHIEVEMENT IN THE LITERARY WORLD THE MORE ASTOUNDING. A FINE ENGRAVING MADE IN THREE COLORS HAS JUST BEEN ISSUED WHICH SELLS FOR ONLY ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00). SEND FOR ONE TODAY. ADDRESS THE COLORED AMERICAN NOVELTY CO., P. O. DRAWER 2318, WASHINGTON, D. C. AGENTS WANTED.

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